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## THE J. E. JONES LETTER

Purely Political

The republican national organization has but a single thought—and that is the renomination of President Harding. Vice President Coolidge arouses about as much enthusiasm as sudden showers during a lawn fête. But President Harding is healthy, and so why worry about a Vice President when the Republican party is being prepared to stand before the country on its record. The Democratic national organization has several thoughts—but they are the kind of thoughts that fail to coordinate when nominations are discussed. There are several worthy gentlemen in the Democratic national organization who unobtrusively admit paramount leadership. Messrs. McAdoo, Cox, Underwood & Co., all quailed when the Ford boom boomed its loudest before the doors of their party citadel. William Randolph Hearst uttered "music to their ears" when he launched Mr. Ford into the arena of presidential probabilities as an "independent." Mr. Hearst is reputed to have eleven million readers, besides those who buy his papers on account of the funny pages. Frank Munsey owns a big share of the New York newspapers, and he gave left-handed support to the "independent party" suggestion and hastened to substitute for Mr. Ford a couple of "progressives," either of whom would be eminently satisfactory to the so-called Wall Street interests.

Meanwhile Senators LaFollette and Borah seem to be running away with the anti-administration factions in the Republican party. It is interesting to note that neither of these trained politicians are in sympathy with the move for an "independent party." They are not apt to be disputed in the claim they are making that the part of the Republican party that they represent is independent enough for anybody.

The strength of the "organizations" in both the old parties seems about to be put to the test. President Harding has been tightening up on the Republican national organization, and when the Republican National Committee started running "wild" in opposing the World Court they heard from the White House in such unmistakable terms that the offense is not likely to be repeated. It was another case of finding out "who's boss around here."

It is usual for the whole country to become somewhat agitated about presidential elections long in advance. It is just as usual for the wise party managers to watch the game from the Washington grand stand, and the side-lines about the political diaphragm. In this way the "leaders" do their leading. And when they find they are not "leaders," there is the welcome alternative of riding on the band-wagon.

Defying the Railroad Board  
The Railroad Labor Board was set up by Congress to enforce justice between railroad employers and employees, and to protect the rights of the public in the transportation matters of the country. Evidently the "public" likes the idea, but in the railroad world itself there seems to be a lot of belligerence, and the Board has had a very hard time in getting its views accepted. Washington and Arcadia are so far apart that Washington could not be induced to put itself on record in favor of demanding obedience from either capital or labor. As a result the very good intent of the labor legislation works very badly. Time and again the employers and the employees have flatly refused to obey the decisions of the Board. The latest instance of this kind is the refusal of the Pennsylvania Rail-

## GOULD'S WINS JUNIOR MEET AT BATES COLLEGE

Gould's brought home a victory last Saturday when its six-man track team returned a winner in class B events at the Bates Intercollegiate Track Meet. Two cups were awarded, one to the winner of Class A and the other, which Gould's brought home, to the winner in Class B (schools having a registration of less than two hundred and fifty.)

Berry set a new record for the 12 pound shot in Class A but was forced to take second honors when Farrington of Cony High bettered his mark by a few inches. These three points gained by Berry gave Gould's seventh place among the senior schools in addition to the first place which they finally captured in the junior division.

In the junior shot put Berry established a new record and won handsily. The 75 yard dash was won by Morse with Bartlett placing third. Bartlett took another third in the 220 yard dash. Swan finished second in the half mile. In the only remaining junior event, the broad jump, we failed to place a man. Our point winners in Class B events were: Berry 5, Morse 5, Swan 3, Bartlett 2, total 15, nearest competitors, Westbrook 14, Kennebunk 10, Lincoln Academy 6, Dixfield 1, and seven other schools which failed to score. Summary of Class A: Portland 31, Cony 21.5, Gardiner 18, Hebron 8, E. L. H. 8, G. S. M. C. I. 4.5, Gould's Academy 3, Stevens High 2.5, Deering 1, Morse 1, Westbrook .5.

Results of Class B events were as follows:

75 yard dash—Finals  
Won by Morse, Gould's; Hammond, Kennebunk; third, Bartlett, Gould's. Time 8.5 sec.

220 yard dash—Finals  
Won by Higgins, Westbrook; second, Hammond, Kennebunk; third, Bartlett, Gould's. Time 25.5 sec.

8 pound shot put  
Won by Berry, Gould's; second, Keefe, Westbrook; third, Townsend, Westbrook. Distance, 40.1 ft. (New record.)

Broad Jump  
Won by Higgins, Westbrook; second, Hammond, Kennebunk; third, Gordon, Dixfield. Distance 18.2 ft.

880 yard run  
Won by Burns, Lincoln; second, Swan, Gould's; third, Russell, Kennebunk. Time 2:16.25 sec.

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Even though it is fatuous to expect the Railroad Labor Board to enforce its decisions—because it has the power—Congress is not likely to put "teeth" in the labor law. It is left open to "public opinion" to demand enforcement of the Labor Board's decrees. "Public opinion," unfortunately seems always to be otherwise suggested.

Uncle Sam's Ships  
The United States Shipping Board has had another disheartening experi-

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## PIANO RECITAL BY PUPILS OF MRS. NELLIE BRICKETT

A large audience spent a delightful evening, Friday, June 1, at the Wm. Bingham Gymnasium listening to a program of classical music rendered by the pupils of Gould's Academy who have studied music with Mrs. Brickett. Each number was played with taste and skill which showed the careful training of the teacher and the faithful work of the pupils.

Polonaise Militaire, Chopin  
Ruth Hastings  
Trip It Lightly, Fieldhouse  
Gertrude Abbott  
Rocky Brooklet, Watnach  
Pearl Samson  
Strains from the Rocky Mountains, Florence Coburn  
Carlew Bells, Fieldhouse  
Gaula Saunders  
Edelweiss Glide Waltz, Vanderbeck  
Taylor Clough  
Sweet Cloister Bells, Kern  
Ethel Capen  
Flying Spray, Adamson  
Sweet Memories, Bonner  
Elsie Flint

Malden's Prayer, Arr. by Fieldhouse  
Alfreda Wheeler  
Prelude in C Sharp Minor, Ruchmaninov  
Mrs. Brickett, Celestine Flint  
La Sonnambula, Leybach  
Elizabeth Emery  
At the Sea Shore, Demangato  
René Abbott  
Glissando Mazurka, Bohn  
Garard Eames  
Salut a Peste, Kowalski  
Grace Van Den Kerkhoven  
Mazurka de Concert, Fayo Sanborn  
Caprice Bohemian, Leblanc  
Dorothy Hanscom  
Polka de la Reine, Raff  
Celestine Flint  
Charge of the Hussars, Spinnler  
Eunice Smith, Dorothy Goodnow

Worthy Chaplain  
Prayer, concluding with Lord's prayer by all  
Musical response  
Reading, "Love Triumphant,"

Selection, "Abide With Me," Quartet  
Memorial address, W. M. Geo. Haggood  
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Solo, "One Sweetly Solemn Thought," Sister LaRue  
Reading, "Crossing the Bar," Sister Haggood  
Hymn, "Father, We'll Rest in Thy Love,"

Benediction  
The next regular meeting will be held Thursday evening, June 21. The sisters will serve supper at 6:30 P. M. Those not solicited please bring pastry.

COMMITTEE MEETING  
The committee of the surrounding Granges met with the Bethel committee at the Grange Hall, Monday evening, June 4, at 8 o'clock.

F. E. Russell, chairman of the Bethel committee, called the meeting to order. The following Granges were represented:

Mountain View—Gilead  
Pleasant Valley—West Bethel  
Alder River—East Bethel  
Bear River—Newry  
Upton—Upton  
Franklin—Bryant's Pond  
Round Mountain—Albany  
North Waterford—North Waterford  
It was voted to use pulp dishes and C. F. Saunders of Bear River Grange was appointed as a committee of one to purchase them. Harry Head of Pleasant Valley Grange was appointed as a committee of one to make the coffee for supper. Supper to consist of strawberries, salads, bread, hot rolls, cakes, cookies and hot coffee. Each Grange to bring food enough to serve forty people.

Adrian Grover was appointed as a committee of one to procure strawberries. Voted that each Grange furnish boxes of strawberries.

F. E. Russell was appointed as a committee of one to order forty dozen rolls of L. W. Morse.

The Granges are to work in groups of three and two to serve supper. They are to serve in the following order: Mountain View, Gilead, Pleasant Valley, West Bethel, 2; Alder River, East Bethel, 3; Upton, 4; North Waterford, 5; Round Mountain, Albany, 6; Bear River, Newry, 7; Franklin, Bryant's Pond, 8. Supper is to be served at 6:30 P. M.

The twenty-two subordinate Granges to Oxford Pomona jurisdiction to share equally in purchasing the ice cream to be served at the evening session.

Pleasant Valley Grange of West Bethel is to furnish silver to help set the tables.

Oleum Hall has been hired for the Pomona meeting for the day session, and also for the special session to be held in the evening.

DEAR RIVER GRANGE  
Dear River met in regular session, Saturday evening, June 2, at 8 o'clock, with Master Fred Wright in the chair. Opened in form. Minutes of last meeting read.

Under new business, committee was appointed for dinner, Mrs. Holt and Sister Nellie Holt. Grange also voted to install lighting system. Committee is to look after same. T. L. French, L. R. Wright, J. L. Farren.

At the close of the business session a Memorial Service was held as follows:

1. Benediction, Chaplain  
2. Reading, "In Heavenly Love Abiding," Chaplain  
3. Scripture, Twenty-third Psalm, Chaplain  
4. Prayer, concluding with Lord's Prayer by all, Chaplain  
5. Musical Response, Chaplain  
6. Reading, "Love Triumphant," Ida Wright  
7. Selection, "Abide with Me," Chaplain  
8. Memorial Address, Worthy Master  
9. Roll Call of deceased members and decoration of altar.

10. Solo, "One Sweetly Solemn Thought," Chaplain  
11. Reading, "Crossing the Bar," Chaplain  
12. Hymn, "Father We'll Rest in Thy Love," Chaplain  
13. Benediction, Chaplain

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CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
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Mr. A. J. Copeland was a business visitor in Portland last week.

## GRANGE NEWS

BETHEL GRANGE

The members of Bethel Grange, No. 56, met at their hall Thursday evening, May 31. The sisters served supper at 6:30. Worthy Master George Haggood called to order at 8 P. M. All officers present at roll call except Assistant Steward and Treasurer. Brother Mason acted as Assistant Steward pro tem. Sister Lyon reported over \$30 as proceeds of last two dances and it was turned over to the Worthy Secretary. Sister Yashaw was appointed as chairman of the dinner committee for Pomona Grange day, Tuesday, June 26. She is to choose her own assistants, the three Graces, Sisters Haggood, Lyon and Chapman to act as consulting committee. The first and second degrees were conferred on a class of candidates. Worthy Lecturer Helen Berry presented the Memorial service program as follows:

Selection, "Nearer, My God, To Thee," Quartette consisting of Sisters LaRue and Haggood, Brothers Wright and Kimball  
Scripture, 23rd Psalm

Worthy Chaplain  
Prayer, concluding with Lord's prayer by all  
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## TRUCK COLLIDES WITH TRAIN

A truck driven by N. Newbegin of Lewiston and owned by the Coon Ice Cream Co. was struck by the 10:20 train Saturday forenoon at Richardson's crossing a short distance above Bethel village.

Newbegin escaped with nothing more serious than a few body bruises. The body of the truck was smashed to kindling wood, the chassis badly damaged and a large quantity of ice cream completely ruined.

The driver of the truck claimed to have failed to hear the engine whistle, although the engineer maintained that the whistle was blown for the crossing. The truck which was a new one was making its maiden trip to Berlin and was loaded with ice cream. It was driven to Lewiston on its own power, despite the damage.

MEMORIAL DAY AT BETHEL  
Memorial Day was observed in Bethel as per the program as printed in last week's issue of the Citizen. Graves were decorated in the different cemeteries in the town by members of the Sons of Veterans and American Legion.

In the afternoon exercises were held at the monument after which the line was formed and proceeded to Odeon Hall where Donald B. Partridge gave a very interesting talk.

A solo, "The Americans Come," rendered by Mrs. I. H. Wright was very pleasing, and the male quartette was also much enjoyed.

Many thanks are due the people for the use of their automobiles, and also to the fire and drum corps of Berlin.

PAULUS E. LOWE  
The death of Paulus E. Lowe occurred at the St. Louis Hospital at Berlin, N. H., on Saturday, May 26. He was born in Dalsbos, N. S., 76 years ago, where he lived until about 31 years ago, when he came to make his home in Bethel.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Louisa Veat Lowe, two daughters, Mrs. Ada M. Mills, and Mrs. Margrete E. Lowell, four brothers, three sisters, four grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral services were held at his home on Robinson hill, Tuesday, conducted by Mr. S. S. Greenleaf, Rev. C. B. Oliver speaking words of comfort to the bereaved family.

Interment was in the family lot in Riverside cemetery.

GARD OF THANKS  
We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their kindness and help extended to us during our recent bereavement; also Mr. Greenleaf and Rev. C. B. Oliver.

Mrs. Louisa Lowe,  
Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Mills,  
Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Lowell and family,  
Miss Louisa Wilson Lowe.

BIRTHDAY SURPRISE  
Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Ramsell and family were in Norway recently to attend a reunion of the family of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Holt. A carefully planned surprise was given Mrs. Holt in honor of her birthday, June 3. Many useful gifts were presented, and at noon a picnic lunch was served to the following relatives: Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Bartlett and sons, Jonathan, Sidney, Francis and Fred, Jr., Andover; Mr. and Mrs. Shipley Smith, Andover; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Holt and daughter, Elizabeth, Waterford; Mr. Lee Holt, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Ray and family, Mr. and Mrs. George Crocker, Mrs. Josephine Bickford, Miss Fay Bickford, Mrs. Annie Holt and family all of Norway.

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## BETHEL AND VICINITY

Mr. Ralph Berry was in Portland, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Holt returned home Sunday morning.

Miss Nellie Jodrey has completed her duties at Maple Inn.

Mr. Fred Hall was a business visitor in Lewiston, recently.

Mr. May of Portland was a guest of Leroy Andrews, Sunday.

Mrs. Kelley of Bryant's Pond visited at I. L. Carver's, Sunday.

Miss Angie Chapman of Portland was in town on a visit recently.

Mrs. Arthur Richardson has returned home from Portsmouth, N. H.

Mrs. Octavia Bean is spending a few days with Mrs. Edmund Merrill.

Mr. W. J. Douglas of Boston is spending a few days at his home here.

Misses Doris and Dorothy Goodnow were in Berlin, N. H., recently.

Mr. Richard Russell is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Russell.

Mr. W. G. Holt of East Bethel called on his cousin, Mrs. George Haggood, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Josiah Smith of Portland were guests of friends in town recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Douglass and Mrs. Edie Hall were in Norway last Friday.

Miss Hazel Douglass of Portland was the guest of relatives in town over the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Robertson entertained relatives from Massachusetts, recently.

Mr. Eli Grover of "Isquo was an overnight guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Haggood, recently.

Mrs. Beulah Blaine was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Gertrude Haggood, and family, Memorial Day.

Mrs. Harry Sawin was the guest of her sister, Miss Estella Bean, of Albany over the week end.

Master Richard Holt returned to Bethel, Sunday, after spending a few days with relatives in Norway.

Mrs. Harry Inman and son, Walter, Mrs. A. M. Morrill and daughter, Rosaline, inspired to Cold River, Memorial Day.

Mr. Thomas Brown and family and Mr. Arnold Brown and family enjoyed an auto trip through Errol and Berlin, Sunday.

Mr. S. S. Greenleaf and family will occupy the rent formerly occupied by Mr. Nahum Moore in the L. A. Hall house on Broad Street.

Miss Virginia Goodnow was very happy when her schoolmates in the 8th grade of the grammar school remembered her with a beautiful Maybasket well filled.

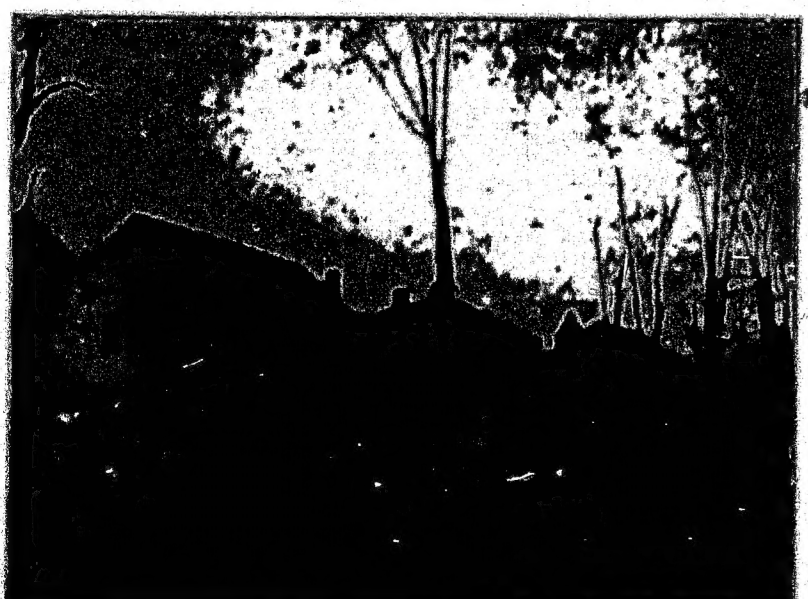
Mr. H. S. Jodrey was called to Bucksport, Maine, last week to attend the funeral of his daughter, Mrs. Henry Cunningham. Besides her husband she leaves a son and a daughter. Bethel friends extend much sympathy.

Mrs. A. E. Herrick and daughter, Margaret, visited to Berlin, Friday. Mrs. Herrick returned but Miss Herrick remained to visit her sister, Mrs. Lindah Blanchard. Mr. Herman Robertson acted as chauffeur.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Silver and son, Harold and daughter Elizabeth, from Harrodsburg, Md., who were at Bethel last several days, left Monday to visit the White Mountains. While here they visited Remond Falls and Silver Lake accompanied by F. J. Tyler and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Holt of Andover, Mass., came to Bethel, Saturday, accompanied by Mrs. J. U. Partridge who has spent the winter with her daughter but will remain in her Bethel home for the summer months. Miss Belle Partridge will soon return from Manchester-by-the-Sea, to spend the summer in their home here.

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THE METHODIST PARSONAGE  
Bethel, Maine

The Methodist parsonage on Main Street in Bethel, Maine, has recently been sold to G. N. Farber, Jr. of Bethel, who is now occupying the building. The property has been the home of each Methodist minister and plan to erect a new bungalow type building immediately.







## American Farm Bureau



Louisiana's championship boys and girls poultry judging team, with Henry C. Wallace, secretary of agriculture, Washington, D. C. This photograph was taken immediately after the Louisiana youngsters had taken first place in judging utility fowls and second place in the national judging contest at the Madison Square Garden Poultry show. Reading left to right in the group: Joe Savage, Jennings, La.; Orin Burke, Forest, La.; Mr. Wallace; Elmer Puls, Lorange, La.; Eva Mae Brooks, Franklinton, La.

### CO-OPERATIVES WILL COMBINE ALL FORCES

Eleven Farmers' Associations Set Up Information Headquarters at Ithaca, N. Y.

Eleven farmers' co-operative associations, organized in the New York State Co-operative council, have set up a central headquarters at Ithaca, N. Y., where information concerning all phases of co-operative marketing will be gathered with the purpose of perfecting the co-operative distribution of farm products in New York and decreasing the spread between producer and consumer. The information collected by the council, which will work closely with state and federal agencies, will be made available to farmers seeking help in setting up co-operative associations.

H. E. Babcock, general manager of the Grange League Federation exchange, is chairman of the council, and E. V. Underwood, secretary of the New York Farm Bureau Federation, is secretary.

"The co-operative type of marketing organization is still new, and even those closely associated with the movement are ununiform on some phases of it," Mr. Babcock, chairman of the council, pointed out. "Some co-operatives have been set up with insufficient knowledge and no experience as a background. Learning their organization's weakness has been very expensive. It is to eliminate so far as possible these errors in the future that the council has been set up."

The council represents farm business in New York state of nearly \$100,000,000 a year, having as its members all the big farmers' business co-operatives in the state.

The president and manager of the following organizations make up the council: Co-operative Grange League Federation exchange; Dairyman's League Co-operative association; Maple Producers' Co-operative association; Inc.; New York Canning Crops Co-operative association; Inc.; New York Co-operative Seed Potato association; Inc.; New York State Co-operative Poultry Certification association; the New York State Cidersey Direct association; New York State Potato Growers' Co-operative association; Inc.; Western New York Fruit Growers' Co-operative association; Inc. A research committee composed of Mr. Babcock, K. C. Livermore, president of the Empire State Potato Growers' association, Rochester, and F. E. Robertson, manager of the New York State Sheep Growers' association, Syracuse, has been appointed to work with the various member co-operatives, the state college of agriculture, and state and federal authorities in collecting information concerning organization, merchandising, legal aspects and the like.

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### PLAN SALES AGENCY FOR DAIRY PRODUCTS

Organization Being Built on Ideas Submitted by Committee at Milwaukee Conference.

The establishment of a national co-operative sales agency for dairy products is under way. The organization is being built on the plan submitted by the committee of nine selected at the Co-operative Dairy conference in Milwaukee, Wis. K. B. Heslin, director of dairy marketing for the American Farm Bureau Federation, is in charge of the organization campaign.

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### WHY Game Birds Should Be Planted in Suitable Covers

Planting game birds means liberating them in suitable covers where they may remain and increase their kind. In states having state game farms thousands of pheasants are sent out each year to sportsmen for liberation. Many sportsmen's organizations purchase these birds to improve shooting conditions in their vicinity. Bob white quail are imported by the thousands from Mexico, while the Hungarian partridges are brought from Europe, all with the intent of furnishing more game for the sportsmen.

Few realize the necessity of liberating such birds properly, remarks a New York Evening Post writer. We were greatly surprised only recently to hear a man who had been liberating a great number of birds remark that he enjoyed doing this kind of work because he liked to see the birds fly.

What sportsman does not like to see a game bird fly? We all do, but when liberating birds with the view of restocking depleted covers we would feel that our efforts had almost been wasted should we see any of the liberated birds fly immediately after they were released.

When birds are received in a crate and it is the intent to liberate them all at one place, the problem of keeping them from flying is a very simple one. The crate should be placed at the edge of a suitable cover for the birds and a quantity of grain scattered nearby. Dampen your crate by covering it with canvas or burlap excepting one corner, where, by opening the sliding door, sufficient space should be left for the birds to walk out. Having done this, go away and leave them and do not return to get the crate until there is no chance of frightening the birds.

This method permits the birds to walk out cautiously and look over their new home at leisure. They may band together for the time being and return for several days to the place where liberated to secure the food that has been placed there for them.

### WERE NAMED FOR STATESMAN

Why the Sandwich Islands Were So Called Explained in Narrative of Captain Cook.

Capt. James Cook, who christened the Hawaiian group of islands the "Sandwich Islands," in 1778, gave them that name as a compliment to John Montagu, fourth earl of Sandwich, an English statesman, traveler and author, who at the time of Cook's most celebrated voyage was first lord of the admiralty, the United States equivalent for secretary of the navy. The reason for this compliment is doubtless to be found in the following extract from Cook's narrative:

"While we lay in Long Beach . . . the earl of Sandwich, Sir Hugh Palliser and others of the board of admiralty, as the last mark of the very great attention they had all along shown to this expedition, paid us a visit on the 6th of June, to examine whether everything had been completed conformably to their intentions and orders, and to the satisfaction of all who were to embark on the voyage. They, and several other noble men and gentlemen, their friends, honored me with their company at dinner on that day; and on their coming on board, and also on their going ashore, we saluted them with seventeen guns, and three cheers."

How Japan is Progressing. The government of Japan has framed a scheme for the construction of new railway lines with a view to improving the transportation system throughout the country. The plan includes the construction of 25 new lines with a total length of 842 miles, the lines traversing 31 prefectures. The cost of construction is estimated at 170,000,000 yen. The program is spread over 11 years; the work being expected to commence by the next fiscal year. This scheme will be submitted to the railway council, which will be convoked shortly, and afterward will be introduced in the imperial diet. If the plan is approved, the construction of 12 lines will be started in the course of the next fiscal year, to be followed by 13 other lines the following year.

New Mocking Bird Fight. It is not only as a singer that the mocking bird of the South wins the admiration of his human friends. He's plucky, and just as ready for a fight in defense of his nest as for a song. He and his mate will attack a chicken hawk in flight, a dangerous procedure for any bird.

On one occasion a great buzzard was seen alighting on a large limb within a few feet of a mocking bird nest. He was attacked first by the hen bird, which left her nest to scold and shout imprecations at the unwelcome guest. Her mate soon heard the rumpus and joined the fray. They never paused a moment in their efforts until even the sluggish vulture was forced to flap slowly away through the trees, defeated.

No Great Chinese Journalist. China has nowhere in its history produced an outstanding journalist, a man who has dominated the field and left there the imprint of his personality as have Greeley, Dana, Bennett, Pulitzer, Nelson and Waterson in the United States. The profession, as a natural consequence of the recency of its activities, has no traditions, and has only a weakness for politics and for political intrigue.

### CANTON

Ivory L. Harmon, a respected citizen of Canton Point, passed away at 3:30 Friday morning. Mr. Harmon suffered a paralytic shock on Wednesday afternoon and did not rally. He was born in Scarborough on Dec. 11, 1856, one of twelve children born to Ivory S. Harmon and Susan Lombard Harmon. The survivors are Samuel of Auburn, Isaac of Falmouth Foreside, Sewall of Ripley, Charles, who resides in the West, and Mrs. Hattie H. Laughton of Ripley. Mr. Harmon was twice married, his first wife being Miss Millie Capen of Canton, who passed away May 9, 1894. Their only child, Florence, passed away when eleven years of age. He married on Nov. 22, 1896, Miss Frances Foster who survives him. Mr. Harmon was an estimable citizen, a kind friend and neighbor, who will be much missed. He was a valued member of Canton Grange, No. 110, P. of H. The funeral was held Monday at the chapel, Rev. Eleanor B. Forbes officiating. The floral tributes were very beautiful and included offerings from Canton Grange and the Canton Point Ladies' Circle.

The best and most interesting graduation held in Canton for some time was that of the grammar school which was held Thursday evening at the Grange Hall, and was largely attended. The stage was beautifully decorated in the class colors, pink and green, with the motto, "Loyalty," over the stage. With Bertram Hassay, marshal, the class marched in to music by Willard Durgin. After prayer by Rev. F. M. Lamb the following program was nicely carried out:

Piano solo, Rosine Mongillo; Salutatory, Mary Mongillo; "Purchase of Alaska," Earle Child; Piano solo, Eliza Hussey; Play, "Graduation Gayville," Class Music; High School Orchestra; Prophecy (girls), Eliza Hussey; Prophecy (boys), Frank Patterson; Presentation of Gifts, Rosine Mongillo; Piano solo, Mary Mongillo; "Character of Washington," Ames Dodge.

Advice to Seventh Grade, Elwood Farrand; Response, Robert Russell; Piano solo, Phyllis Elwood; "The Minutemen of '75," Evelyn Hewer.

"Early Colonial School and Valedictory," Stanley Fisher; Class Song; Presentation of certificates.

Much credit is due the teacher, Miss Mary McDevitt, for the excellent work of her scholars. About 70 pupils have graduated from the grammar school under her instruction and she is one of Canton's best teachers.

Mrs. Elvira Goding has been visiting her sister in Vienna. Mr. and Mrs. Payson Smith of Brockton, Mass., have been guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John P. Sweeney, and family.

The marriage of Miss Ida T. Sampson, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eliza T. Sampson of No. Hartford, and Everett H. Packard of Randolph, was solemnized Saturday at the United Baptist parsonage, Canton, Rev. P. M. Lamb officiating. The double ring service was used. They were attended by his brother, Herkesh Packard and bride, who were married on Friday evening. They left for a wedding trip and will reside with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sampson on their return.

Chas. P. Oldham received word Monday morning of the sudden death of his brother-in-law, William A. Nason of Livermore Falls. He went to the barn to look after some stock, was seen to come from the barn and take a few steps and return. He was found soon

after dead, heart trouble being the cause. Mr. and Mrs. Nason were soon to move away, and Mrs. Nason was visiting in Monmouth.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Gilnes have been entertaining their son, Harold Gilnes, and family of Unity and Mr. and Mrs. Skillings of Auburn.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Darrington of Davenport, Ia., are guests of his father, John L. Darrington.

Mrs. Emma Cole of Freeport has been spending a few days in Canton, visiting old friends. She was a former resident.

Herman Childs has been on a fishing trip up country.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Griffith and family, Mrs. Ida Griffith and daughter, Emily, of Auburn have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Ellis, and family.

Mrs. Costella Fletcher and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Packard of Portland have been calling on relatives and friends in town.

Milton Winslow has been visiting in New Gloucester.

Mrs. E. L. Goding has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Demeritt, of West Peru.

Mrs. A. L. Newman of Auburn has been a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lucas.

Mrs. Emma Cole and Walter Cole of Freeport, Percy Cole of Auburn and George Cole of Rumford, with their families, were in town Memorial Day.

Mrs. G. H. Johnson, who has been spending a few weeks in Massachusetts, has returned home.

Mrs. Blanche Richardson and children spent Memorial Day in Andover. Her uncle, William Poor, and aunt, Mrs. Adelle Gregg, who passed away the past winter in Seattle, Wash., were brought to Andover and buried on that day.

Clinton Young has moved from Livermore to Canton.

Mrs. Lillian Robinson and daughter of Smith's Crossing have been guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Ellis.

Mrs. Wallace Hines is visiting her parents in Turner.

Mrs. Vinton Bridge, Mrs. Hazel Bassett and Elmer Hutchinson were in town Memorial Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Noyes Cushman of Auburn were in town last week.

A pleasant family gathering was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Towle of Dixfield, Sunday, those present besides the host and hostess, and son, John, being Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Penabody and Mrs. Peralta L. Noyes of Dixfield, George M. Peabody of Brockton, Mass., Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lucas of Canton, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Newman and son Gerald, and Henry White of Auburn.

Mrs. Thelma Godfrey of Winthrop has been a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eliza Sampson of Hartford. Lorenzo Littlehale of Paris has moved to the Corlies place in Hartford, which he purchased last fall.

Miss Clara Bragg of Portland has been a guest of her mother, Mrs. Annie Bragg.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Tyler and daughter, Eleanor, of East Wilton were Sunday guests of his parents, Mr. and



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Mrs. John Tyler. Miss Louise Hutchinson has gone to Waterville to spend a week with her aunt, Mrs. Lena Niles, and family. Pupils in the schools not absent during the last school year were high school: Maxine Butterfield, Elwood Cushman, Philadore Dalghe, Roy Drake, Edna Hines, Frank Kidder; intermediate, Earl Hines and Alfrado Walker. The last two have not missed a day for two years.

### NORTH NEWRY

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Kilgore and two boys, Mervin and Albert, of Exeter, N. H., were calling on friends in town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Thompson of Bethel were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Exams one day last week.

F. W. Wright went to Errol, Thursday, after a load of seed potatoes.

Harold Bennett is a guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Bennett.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Littlehale and Master Clifford Lane of Errol were week end guests at P. W. Wright's.

Henry Godwin of Hanover was in town Sunday afternoon.

Those from out of town who attended the family reunion at C. W. Robertson's Sunday were Mrs. W. D. Thornton and children of Norway, Mr. Gould and family and Mrs. McDonald of Milford, N. H.

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## RUMFORD

The marriage of Joseph Langlais and Mary J. LaFleur took place last week Wednesday at St. John's church, Rev. Fr. Harvey officiating. The attendants were Louis Langlais and Joseph Roseau.

At a meeting of the guarantors of the Redpath Chautauque in the Municipal Court Room on Saturday evening, it was announced that the Chautauque will begin on Aug. 28th to Sept. 2nd. Mrs. Winifred B. Cook, field representative, addressed the gathering, and outlined the program. Mrs. Cook stated that the circuit commences June 14 at Niagara Falls to complete a list of 70 cities and towns by Sept. 8, at which time it closes at Laconia, N. H. Tickets for the course are \$2.25. The program for the six days is varied and of a high order, and is expected to contain the grand opera, "Faust," in English, a light opera and drama, besides many interesting lectures, and other features well worth one's time to enjoy and for instruction.

Mrs. James M. MacGregor and Mrs. R. L. Meleher are enjoying life with Mrs. C. M. Blaboe at the Blaboe camp on the shores of Rangeley Lake.

Mrs. F. O. Walker is spending some time at the Walker camp at Oquossoc. The piazzas of the Nile block on Waldo Street are being rebuilt so that they will slant slightly away from the building.

Mrs. B. F. Hanson is making a satisfactory gain from a recent surgical operation performed at the McCarty Hospital with Miss Clara Barrows of Canton serving as nurse.

Books recently placed in the Rumford Public Library are: Betty Orphans by Olive Burnett Hale; Mary Jones' City Home by Clarence L. Judd; Greene Fairy Book by Andrew Lang; A Happy Little Time by Laura Richards; Five Little Stars in an Island Cabin by Lillian E. Ray; Jessica's First Prayer by Hester Stettin; Bunny Brown and his Sister Sue Playing Circus by Laura Lee Hooper. Six of the above were prescribed by Elizabeth McCoy, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. McCoy, of Franklin Street.

Bradford Blaboe MacIntire, ten year old son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Gould MacIntire of Aberdeen, Maryland, and grandson of Mrs. C. S. Osgood of this town, recently went to Bel Air to take part in the annual field day of the pupils of the schools of Hartford County. He brought home a bronze medal, having been the winner in the 60 yard dash for boys of his class. He made the dash in six seconds.

Miss Kathleen Morse, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Morse of Franklin Street has returned home for the summer from New York, where she has been attending school.

The junior reception to the members of the senior class of Rumford High School will be held on Tuesday evening, June 12, in Municipal Hall. Dancing will be a feature of the evening's entertainment.

The two months old son, Emilio, of Mr. and Mrs. Emilio Fontaine of Pine Street, died on Sunday last, burial being made on Monday in the Catholic cemetery.

The baccalaureate services of Rumford High School were held in Municipal Hall on Sunday afternoon. The high school orchestra played a stately procession as the graduating class members were being ushered to their places in the front section of the hall by the class marshal, Franklin Cornell of the class of 1924. The girls of the class all dressed in gowns and hats of white with organza marched in together, followed by the boys of the class. Pres. Clarence Little of the University of Maine delivered the address which was much enjoyed, and gave them parting words to live for themselves a great deal to think about and by which to profit. Mrs. Ralph Woodman gave a very pleasing vocal solo, Miss Leona Ellis played a violin solo, and a male quartet consisting of Charles Coffin, Louis Irish, Bradford Andrews and Jack Alfano gave one of the best selections. Rev. Alfred Brown of the Methodist church made the prayer and pronounced the benediction.

Repairs are being made on the Morse building, which is subject to much heavy traffic. New flooring planks are to be laid and other necessary repair work to be done.

Mr. and Mrs. Spaulding Blaboe of Portland and Dr. and Mrs. H. L. Kilburn of this town leave this week for a trip abroad.

Mrs. A. J. Reed of Lincoln Avenue is receiving the sympathy of her many friends upon the death of her father, whose death recently occurred in Lowell, Mass., his wife home.

Mrs. Thomas Hart and two small children are to join Mr. Hart in Lawrence, Mass., as soon as Mr. Hart is able to escape being quarantined. Mr. Hart has been working in Lawrence since early spring.

The class day exercises of the senior class of Rumford High School will take place on Wednesday evening, June 13, at Municipal Hall, and on the following evening the graduation exercises will be held at the same place.

The death of James Darrigan occurred last week at the McCarty Hospital

where he had gone for treatment. His age was 29 years. A native of Canada he had resided here for the past twelve years, and had been employed as a paper maker in the International paper mill. He leaves a wife and two children, five and seven years of age.

Donald Lambert, son of Mrs. Frank Lambert of Rumford Avenue, and Science teacher in Rumford High School, is spending this week in Washington, D. C., enjoying the Shrine celebration which is taking place in the Capital City.

The work on the addition to the block corner of Waldo Street and Main Avenue progresses rapidly. The first floor addition will be devoted to a store, and two upper floors to apartments.

A tenement block is being built by Joseph Poulin on Cumberland Avenue, which will accommodate several families, the cost of same being around \$9,000.

Max Greenberg has under construction a garage on Cumberland Avenue which will have accommodations for eight cars.

Mr. and Mrs. James Goodwin are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son.

The building owned by Jesse Beaudette on Waldo Street has been raised considerably allowing for a store on the street level. Three more apartments will also be part of the alterations, the work of same amounting to \$9,000.

The Ladies' Aid of the Methodist church have discontinued their work sessions for the months of June, July and August.

A new tenement house is being erected on the lower end of Cumberland Street.

The 200 poppies assigned to Rumford to be sold for Memorial Day were all sold, this for the benefit of the local Post.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrington Elliot have taken an apartment in the Walker residence on Rumford Avenue.

Miss Florence Carrier, Rumford High School, class of 1923, began her duties last week as clerk in the store of the E. K. Day Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Conant of Buckfield have come to Rumford as Mr. Conant has accepted the position as caretaker of the Meadowbrook Club.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Britton of Franklin Street are entertaining Mr. Britton's parents, who have recently arrived here from California for an indefinite stay.

The Misses Pease and Hopkins have returned from St. Petersburg, Florida, where during the winter season they have conducted "The Hanover Inn." They will now open "Sundowner Farm" for the summer season.

Miss Hope Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy E. Williams of Knox Street has returned home from Boston where she has been attending school for the summer season.

The marriage of Joseph Alfred Fecteau and Lucy Lillian Dougherty was solemnized last week at St. Alban's church, Rev. Fr. Flannigan officiating.

The Charles Levin Company, who were recently burned out, have completed arrangements for the store located in the Trust Company building next to the store of Dr. M. J. Brooks. This store will be used as a temporary location by this company, until their new quarters are ready, which will be in about four months.

Dorothy Jane and Marjory Arlene Dalton, little daughters of Frank Dalton of Providence, R. I., are guests of their grandmother, Mr. Byron A. Evans and Mrs. Evans of Urquhart Street. Their mother was the late Arlene Evans. Mr. Dalton is at present in Chicago, the children having been accompanied here by their mother, Mrs. Cook.

Miss Sue Virgin, who has been spending the winter in St. Petersburg, Florida, expects to remain there during the summer months.

Miss Joanne Hambleton, a senior at Bates College, and an assistant in the French department of the college, has been substituting in the classes of French department, during the recent absence. For the past two weeks Miss Hambleton has been substituting for Mr. Evans, who has been ill and will continue to hold the classes for the remainder of the college year. Miss Hambleton is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Hambleton of Ponchartraine Street, Rumford.

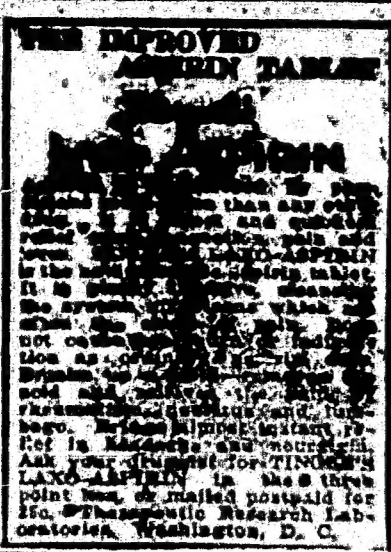
Mr. and Mrs. Jay of Palenath Street are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a little daughter. The new comer has been named Lillian Therese.

Napoleon Chittelle Post of the American Legion are planning another big July Fourth celebration for this year, and Commander Albert Bellevue and Adjutant Carrier are already formulating plans for the event. It is expected that the Legion Home will be entirely completed by that time, and the annual concert and ball will doubtless be held in this new hall.

The Rumford District Sunday School Convention will be held in the Baptist church, Canton, on Friday morning and afternoon of this week. Among the speakers will be the Rev. F. M. Lamb, Mrs. Harry C. Smith, Rev. Mary L. Bradley, Mrs. B. E. O'Hara, and Rev.

Individual Reformation.

To reform a world, to reform a nation, no wise man will undertake; and all but foolish men know that the only solid, though a far slower reformation, is what each man begins and perfects on himself.—Carver.



THE IMPROVED AMERICAN TABLET

E. H. Brewster, general secretary of the Sunday School Association.

A Rumford High School Chapter of the National Honor Society was organized at the school recently, Everett F. Martin being elected president, while Miss Mildred Dorian was chosen vice president.

The building on the corner of Congress and Bridge Streets, owned by McCarthy and Rowe is being altered. The upper stories are being extended, filling the space formerly devoted to porches on the Congress Street side. The basement is being enlarged and it is understood that Emile Gauthier will open a bakery there when the improvements to the property are completed.

Arthur St. Pierre, former meat cutter in the Rumford Public Market, is now cutting meat at Guy Feron's market on Waldo Street.

It is expected that many Nobles from Rumford will attend the annual field day and ceremonial of Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles Mystic Shrine, which is to be held on Friday, June 15th, the field day at Great Diamond Island, Casco Bay, and the grand ceremonial in Portland at City Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. James Shanley, who have been residing in the Nile block on Waldo Street, are now located for the summer season at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Nile in Biddeford, the latter having left for an extended stay in North Carolina.

Waldo Pettengill, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. George Pettengill, will remain in St. Petersburg, Florida, with his grandmother, Mrs. Irene H. Stratton, until the completion of his school year the last of this month, when they will come to Rumford to join Mrs. Pettengill and two younger sons, Lawrence and Lewis, who arrived here about two weeks ago.

The Committee of Fifteen, Citizen Advisory Committee of Rumford, have been appointed by the Board of Selectmen as follows: Waldo Pettengill, chairman; R. B. Stratton, Theodore Hawley, Dr. C. M. Blaboe, E. J. Hoderick, R. L. Meleher, James MacGregor, Fred J. Latham, F. B. Martin, L. D. Elliott, P. E. McCarthy, J. I. Dorian, Matthew McCarthy, O. J. Gonyea, Dr. E. A. Sheehy.

The Queens Festival as given on Saturday evening last in Municipal Hall by 400 of the local school children was a distinct success, reflecting a great deal of credit upon Miss Arline Clarke, the physical director in the public schools. It consisted of various dances and drills given in the center of the courtyard of the Queen, for her benefit, whose throne was in the center of the courtyard. It presented an exhibition of work in physical education as carried out in the schools of Rumford.

Beautiful exercises and memorable addresses marked the observance of Memorial Day in Rumford. The parade by school children in the morning, the decorating of the graves of the veterans, services at Rumford Center in the afternoon in charge of the Grand Union Relief Corps, and again in the evening at Rumford in charge of the National Unit of the Grand Union Relief Corps, were all touching features of the day.

Miss Estia McDonald, a clerk in the store of the E. K. Day Company, left last week for her home in Eastern Canada, where she will enjoy a month's vacation.

Mr. Gerald Phinney and party of Lewiston called on Mrs. Estia McDonald, Sunday.

Mr. Francis Mills of Brunswick was in town over the week end.

Mrs. Lydia Merrill has returned to her home in town after spending the winter with her daughter, Mrs. G. H. Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. Mellen Whitman of Massachusetts were in town recently. Mrs. Whitman remained to spend the summer with her mother, Mrs. Lydia Merrill.

Mrs. Clarence Tyler and two children of Orono were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Linton over the week end.

Where United States Leads.

The United States produces annually about 70 per cent of the world's corn, 80 per cent of its cotton and 80 per cent of its tobacco.

"Medicine"

The word medicine comes through many mediums from the Latin medicine, meaning honey-lime, which is derived from mol, honey.

## SKILLINGTON

Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Edwards of Wahpeton, North Dakota, are guests of his sister, Mrs. Frank Heath, and family. Mr. Charles Crosby is ill at his home. Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Skillings are in Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Griffin, Mrs. Maud Sanborn and Mrs. C. C. Eames were in Rumford, Saturday.

Mr. Jesse Chapman visited in Auburn, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Griffin called on Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Howard, Sunday.

The mill has resumed work after being closed down a week.

Mrs. Elwin Parlin and two children are visiting his sister, Mrs. John Anderson.

Mrs. Angie Parlin has returned home with her daughter after spending several weeks in Boston with her son and family.

Mr. Grover and son called on Fan Sanborn, Sunday.

Mrs. Rex Robinson came home from Portland, Sunday.

Julius Robinson was in Portland, Saturday, returning home Sunday.

## GILEAD

Mrs. George Leighton and Miss Marjorie Cole spent the week end in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Richardson, Edward Richardson and daughter, Margery, of Orr's Island were week end guests at John E. Richardson's.

Miss Frances Wilson of Shelburne, N. H., was a recent guest of her sister, Mrs. Roy Arsenburg.

Mr. H. A. Quint has concluded his work with Leighton & Cole and with his wife has moved to Boston, Mass., where he has a position.

Milan Bennett and daughter, Marion, Mrs. Charles Booker and Mrs. Annie Sawyer of Norway Lake were guests at J. E. Richardson's last Wednesday.

Miss Margaret McLain of Gorham, N. H., was a guest of her sister, Mrs. Wesley Wilson, last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Moore and Harold Moore of Norway were in town recently.

The village school was reopened last Monday, May 23, with Mrs. Carrie Jones of Lewiston as teacher.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Harwood, Walter Harwood and Fred and Frank Nay of Mechanic Falls have been spending a few days in town.

Charles Knights of Portland was a recent visitor in this vicinity.

Mrs. Josephine Wheeler has been spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. B. E. Harriman, Alpine Street, Gorham, N. H.

Many people in town are very grateful to I. B. Leighton and Edward Holden for letting them "listen in" on their radio at the former's garage.

Carl Richardson was a visitor in Bethel last Saturday.

Mrs. Minnie Lory of Yarmouth was in town last Monday.

## MARSHALL DISTRICT

Miss Nina Briggs of Gorham, N. H., spent the week end at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hazeltine of No. Waterford, also Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Andrews were guests at Leam Hazel-tine's, Sunday.

Allen Cummings and niece, Mrs. Annie Hazeltine, went to Auburn, Tuesday.

Geo. Briggs and family were visiting relatives at North Norway last Sunday.

Mrs. Penley of Lewiston returned to her home Monday after spending a short time with her sister, Mrs. Mervy.

## WEST GREENWOOD

Mrs. Nellie Cross, Anna and Willie Cross and Herbert Hargrett motored to Bethel and back over the week end. They were guests of Mrs. Cross' sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Wiggins.

Mr. and Mrs. Herstead were in town, Monday.

Mrs. John Bennett was a Saturday guest in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Flanders and family of Skidmore were in town, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chase spent Monday at E. G. Stone's.

Mrs. Helen Under and daughter, Elsie, Roland Cummings, Mrs. Vashaw and family, Sidney Jolley, Roy Cummings, T. H. Burke, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Day, Leonard Armstrong, Calvin Cummings, Elmer and Arthur Cross, Mabel Bartlett, Dr. Twaddle, Norman Bailey were among the get of town callers.

Kenneth Keenough of South Paris is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Keenough.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Harrington motored to Portland last week and returned Saturday, accompanied by Mrs. Lydia and nephew, who returned home Sunday.

Ide Chesser is taking music lessons of Mrs. Hesketh.

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## GROVER HILL

Time J. Brown is at home for a few days to attend to his planting.

Will McKenna worked for T. J. Brown one day recently.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Tyler motored to Belter's Mills, Sunday, where they visited friends for the day.

The carpenters, Herbert and Merle Swan, are progressing nicely on H. A.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hutchison and sons motored to Minot, Sunday.

Almon Tyler has bought a driving horse of Frank Billings.

Mrs. Edith W. Groves has sold her cattle to O. D. Merrill of West Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lyden, Mr. J. P. Lyden and daughter, Catherine, from Bethel were Sunday guests at the Lyden farm.

Ernest Mondt entertained two school-mates at his home Memorial Day.

## MIDDLE INTERVALE ROAD

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Blake and little son returned to their home in Medford, Mass., Tuesday.

Miss Mollie Stanley motored to Bridgton, Saturday, bringing her sister home with her for a week's stay.

Mr. Ernest Merritt has completed his work at Carter's for a time and is working on the State road in Lewiston.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Coolidge and daughter, Maudie, were at his father's Sunday. In the afternoon they all motored to Northwest Bethel and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Coolidge.

Mrs. J. P. Coolidge spent Monday with her daughter, Mrs. Wilbert Baker, and family at Bethel village.







## The Custard Cup

Florence Bingham Livingston

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### SYNOPSIS

**CHAPTER I.**—Living in a barn converted into a dwelling, Mrs. Penfield is manager of an apartment building known as the "Custard Cup," originally "Cloister Court." Her income is derived from laundry work, her chief patron being a Mrs. Horatio Weatherstone, whom she has never seen. Living with her are "Crink" and "Thad," homeless small boys whom she has adopted. They call her "Penzie." Thad tells Penzie a strange man was inquiring for her under her maiden name.

**CHAPTER II.**—A tenant, Mrs. Guselle Bosley, induces Penzie to take charge of a package, which she does with some misgivings.

**CHAPTER III.**—Searching a refuse dump for things which might be of use, Crink, a veteran at the game, encounters a small girl, Lettie, who proves a foeman worthy of his steel. He takes her to Penzie, and Lettie is adopted into the family.

**CHAPTER IV.**—The stranger proves to be Mrs. Penfield's uncle Jerry. He announces he is going to remain in the vicinity of the Custard Cup.

**CHAPTER V.**—Uncle Jerry arranges to occupy the loft above Mrs. Penfield's abode.

**CHAPTER VI.**—Uncle Jerry meets Prudence Haggood, no longer young, but attractive, and the two appear to "hit it off" well. Lorena Percy, young friend of Penzie's, tells her of her engagement to Dick Chase, also a mutual friend.

**CHAPTER VII.**—Friendship developing between Uncle Jerry and Frank Bosley, husband of Guselle.

**CHAPTER VIII.**—Calming a tenant, Mrs. Sanders, Mrs. Penfield reveals the tragedy of her own life, the sudden loss of her three children in an epidemic and the subsequent death of her husband.

**CHAPTER IX.**—Lettie's pet aversion to the Custard Cup has long been a certain Mr. Josiah Wopple, and the animosity culminates in a physical encounter in which much water is spilled.

**CHAPTER X.**—Dick Chase confides to Mrs. Penfield that his fiancée's stepmother, Mrs. Percy, by pleading physical helplessness, is seeking to prevent their marriage. Penzie, skilfully exposing Mrs. Percy's sham, and the latter is forced to withdraw her objections.

**CHAPTER XI.**—The domestic difficulties of the Bosleys become a matter of gossip among the other tenants of the Custard Cup.

**CHAPTER XII.**—Lettie, having subtly discovered her beloved Penzie's distrust of Frank Bosley as a companion of Uncle Jerry, denounces Bosley and appeals to Uncle Jerry to give up the acquaintance.

**CHAPTER XIII.**—Endeavoring to prevent the marriage of Lorena and Dick Chase, Mrs. Percy succeeds in badly damaging Lorena's reputation. Mrs. Penzie, by the hardest kind of work, repairs the damage, and the wedding takes place.

**CHAPTER XIV.**—Remarks let fall by Mrs. Bosley leave Penzie in utter bewilderment as to the relations between Uncle Jerry and the Bosleys. Uncle Jerry is evasive in his explanations.

**CHAPTER XV.**—In the absence of Penzie, Lettie entertains Prudence Haggood and Uncle Jerry, with disastrous results.

**CHAPTER XVI.**—The small members of the Penfield household insist on a Christmas celebration. Lettie, regarding to be a whole dollar for the occasion, has an inspiration, and evolves a "machine" which she submits to an advertising agency. The manager is so first impressed, but finally sympathizes with the earnestness of the child and gives her a dollar for the invention.

**CHAPTER XVII.**—Mrs. Penfield and Lettie go shopping and with Lettie's craft the dollar is expended.

**CHAPTER XVIII.**—In her joy over the coming Christmas, Lettie, with her long-time enemy, Mr. Wopple, and Mrs. Penfield improves the occasion to increase a moral lesson on her own child. The Christmas celebration is a huge success.

**CHAPTER XIX.**—Many of Mrs. Penfield's customers being away from home during the Christmas season, Lettie is obliged to drive a hansom. She is so tired that she falls asleep while driving. A bundle of letters delivered to Mrs. Penfield from the advertising agency, which she reads with interest, reveals the success of her "machine." She also obtains a copy of the letter which the agency has written to the manager of the "Custard Cup" to rectify the error. She reads that Mrs. Penfield's "machine" is a success, and that she is a valuable asset to the agency. She also obtains a copy of the letter which the agency has written to the manager of the "Custard Cup" to rectify the error. She reads that Mrs. Penfield's "machine" is a success, and that she is a valuable asset to the agency.

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crying. Lettie's fingers worked, but she held herself still. Perhaps the woman would go to sleep after a while. Nobody could stay awake always. . . . The gas shot up at one side, sank again with a dismal gurgle.

Presently there was a sound outside—faint, momentary, like a step. Lettie's heart gave a bound of relief. But evidently it was not the sound that the woman had been waiting for. She sat straighter in her chair, in an attitude of alarmed listening. The sound came again. The woman grating up, turned off the gas, and went out quickly toward the front of the house.

Instantly Lettie dashed the other way, through a door which she had previously decided must lead to the kitchen. Gropping her way around the wall, she opened a door into another room, and then one which opened into space—the stairway.

She plunged recklessly down the dark stairs, her nerves keyed high by the fear of pursuit. The moaning was louder now. Thad was near; she knew it. Stumbling over rubbish, half falling before she could regain her footing, she made for the direction from which the moaning seemed to come, and encountered a rough wall. But there was a door. There was a key. It turned. As Lettie dashed into the room, she heard steps on the stairs. There was noise everywhere—steps overhead. Things were happening. Folks were after her. She must hurry.

"Oh, I wonder go home," whimpered a small voice. "I want Penzie!"

"Yes, darling, you shall have her," panted Lettie, bending over and untangling Thad from a ragged quilt. She could see nothing, but her senses were sharpened by emergency. She could make out the window as a gray patch in the blackness, but there was not light enough from the street to shine in. She dragged Thad toward the window, unlocked and lifted it, pushed him through. As she followed, somebody stumbled into the room, swooped down upon her.

"Leggo!" screamed Lettie, in a panic, kicking and struggling. "Leggo!"

"Shut up, or I'll kill you," retorted a hoarse voice, scarcely more than a whisper. It was the woman, she had followed. She was trying to prevent.

The next instant they were outside—Thad, Lettie, the woman.

"Stop, there!" shouted a voice. It was a man's voice, from the yard. "Stop, or I'll shoot. Stop! I'll shoot."

It was the climax of terror for Lettie. The command to stop was the signal to run. She snatched Thad in her arms with a strength that had never before been hers, and struck through the broken fence, into the vacant lot. The woman ran, too—in a flight of her own, although Lettie did not suspect it.

A shot rang out. Another! A third! Lettie bounded through the air, spurred on by the very things which should have stopped her. A hot tingling ran across her arm. . . . Many voices behind her! Thad slipped out of her grasp. She pulled him by one hand. . . . She must reach the ravine in the back of the lot. They could hide under the live-oak trees.

At last they got there. Lettie leaped. No one was following—not even the woman. The first danger was over. There were houses near. She drew Thad close to her behind a tree. She must rest a minute. Her arm felt hot; it hurt. The sleeve was wet.

They started on again, but it was a hard journey home. Lettie wavered along the sidewalk; that wonderful strength had left her. She tried to carry Thad, but she could scarcely lift him. To say nothing of carrying him in her arms. He dragged along beside her, tired from his storm of sobbing, but growing nervously excited over his experience now that he had the assurance of safety.

Lettie brought him at last to the Custard Cup. The big door was closed, so she went around the house and opened the kitchen door, pushing Thad in ahead of her.

"I got him, Penzie," she mumbled. "I got him for you. I—" Her eye

"What?"

The woman sat down across from Lettie. They stared at each other. The slender face gleamed down before the child's face, so that not a ray of light could penetrate outside. No one would dream that a little girl was a prisoner in this house, deserted for all that a passerby could tell. . . . The room was close and fearfully silent. The gas sprang up now and then with an angry sizzling. Lettie's frightened fingers traveled around the bare room, seeking for some means of outfitting the woman before her. Nothing occurred to her. Suddenly she heard a sound that was like a faint moan. It seemed to come from a distance. She heard it again. It might be in the basement. Again! She was sure it was below her somewhere.

"Oh! Lettie started to her feet. "I hear him. It's Thad. Let me—"

The woman pushed her back into her seat. "You fool! That's nothing but cats."

Lettie struggled to free herself. "It is, too. I know it's Thad. Leggo! Leggo! Darn it all, leggo!"

"Shut up. I got ways to keep you still," she selected the child's arms and twisted them back with a swift wrench. Lettie gasped; she turned faint with the pain. But when the first agony had passed, she was filled with renewed defiance. It flashed into her mind that the woman was waiting for something. Lettie wished it would come. Whatever it was, surely she could—

The moon struck her ears again, a long wall of human suffering, the suggestion of a child that is spent with

into her arms, she was horrified to find that the child's sleeve was soaked with blood. Lettie had not fainted; she had fallen from dizziness. She was still dizzy. Mrs. Penfield carried her into the bedroom.

It was only a surface wound, the bullet having grazed the flesh for some distance, but the subsequent violent exercise had made it bleed freely. Mrs. Penfield washed and dressed it, refusing meantime to listen to the wild, excited stories which both Lettie and Thad were determined to tell. They were home and safe; nothing else mattered.

It was a long time before she soothed them; and after they had gone to sleep, Mrs. Penfield kept vigil.

The crooked old clock had traveled to half-past nine, and she had heard nothing from the police station. Then Jerry Winston tramped into the kitchen and threw his hat on a box.

"They got the money, Carline. I wish I could have brought it to you, but it'll take an order from the court to release it."

"The money! The money that I—" He nodded. "Two hundred and twenty-eight dollars—bills and one check inside 'em. They found 'em on the rascal, envelope and all. He hadn't had time to—"

"The rascal! Who?"

"Bosley."

"Bosley!" Mrs. Penfield leaned back against the wall, limp with consternation. "You don't mean—that Frank Bosley stole—"

Jerry Winston shook his head. "I don't mean he started out to do it—no. He's been playing for bigger stakes than that. But we got him at last—confound his picture, we got him!" He brought his fist down on the table with a blow that teetered it on its frail legs.

Mrs. Penfield sank to the wash-bench. "The world's a-swimming, Uncle Jerry. Would you mind planning me to something somewhere?"

He laughed. "Why, no. If you'll keep me about it—cross your heart and hope to die, or however Lettie puts it—I'll tell you the whole story. You'll see my part in it can't be published."

"It shall be as Lettie says," she smiled back. "Are you going to ask me to believe that Frank Bosley took this money and—"

"Exactly. He came for the package that his wife left, and you weren't here. He had to have it quick, 'cause he'd got scared and was planning a get-away, so he came in for it; and I don't have to remind you, Carline, that it's easy to find things in this house. He found the package, and there was the money beside it. Why not take it, as long as he was going out of town anyway?"

"What are you talking about, Uncle Jerry? Why was he getting away and—"

"Shaw, now, Carline, the idea of your being confused 'cause I began at the wrong end of my story. I'll take the other end if you'd like it better. You see, I been trying out a little sleuthing."

"Oh!" Mrs. Penfield drew a deep breath. On the instant her memory caught up a few perplexing occurrences in the past months.

"Yes, I've always had a leaning toward it—read a good deal and followed what other fellers had done, and all that; and when I got my knockout for the woods, I naturally wanted to go into something that appealed. I had a lot of personal recommendations and a letter to a man connected with the lumber company. Through him and considerable red tape, I finally got sworn in as a special with the secret service, when they were taking on a number of extra men to work on the Bosley ring. My particular assignment has been to shadow Bosley. Believe me, I've sweat blood over that feller, darn him!"

Mrs. Penfield's eyes were fixed on his face. "That's why you came here—took the lot and—"

"Sure, I wanted to be 'round as casually as possible. I've worked every scheme I could conceit to worm myself into that feller's life. But he was a slick one in his own line. He's been stringing me on a real-estate deal, and I've allowed myself to be string. Of course he didn't suspect my object, but I sort of made him nervous, hanging 'round and getting in with his cronies."

"Uncle Jerry, you're worse than a woman for not getting at the main point. You may be a star detective, but you'd never make a reporter. Now will you kindly stay still in your tracks till you've told me what you wanted him for?"

"Oh, that!" Jerry Winston chuckled. "Yes, maybe I did overlook that, it's been in my mind so long. Why, he's been a leader in a ring that's been supplying drugs to a lot of fellers in exchange for their passing off counterfeit money. Choice circle, and a big one, too! All nations represented—Chinese and whites! Lettie put me wise to their money-factory. I was sure they had one, but—"

"Lettie!" Mrs. Penfield came to her feet. "What do you mean?"

"Holy smoke, Carline, don't get so excited! Lettie didn't know what she was doing, and I hadn't never mentioned it to her. Catch me quizzing a kid! No, all I overheard her twitting Bosley, 'bout slinking into a house next to one of the vacant lots. I suggested the lean-to and listened; but believe me, I did more prying than Lettie has 'fore I found the vacant lot and the house. Holding it was part of last night's work."

"You see, yesterday I got held of one of his dogs 'cause that was willing to swell on him, so last night we put it through as smooth as silk. The feller brought the stuff with money we could have identified in him, one

of our own men was within witnessing distance, too. Some of the very powder you were guarding yesterday, Carline, is one of our choicest exhibits today. We sure got Bosley; darn it all, we got him!"

"I s'pose," said Mrs. Penfield slowly, "that Mrs. Bosley's been honoring me with her packages of counterfeit money and dope, but seems as if it wasn't very clever—"

"Clever!" Jerry Winston took the word out of her mouth. "She was the life of the ring in the beginning, but lately she'd lost her nerve, and Bosley's had the devil's own time to keep her from breaking away. She didn't care if Bosley got caught, so long as she'd cleared her skirts. If the house was going to be searched, the goods weren't going to be there. See? Ain't any of these folks so clever that they don't do something foolish 'fore they're through?"

"Poor thing!" commiserated Mrs. Penfield. "I wonder what'll become of her."

"Well, I can tell you. She'll get a chance to think it over. We got her last night, too. She was stinging an exit of her own, but we trailed her to Sixteenth street station, just in time to see her getting on the local for the mole. That gave her two chances: To go on to San Francisco or come back on a through train. We telegraphed the police on the other side to watch the ferry; then we waited for the Shasta limited—and there she was! Gee, I was glad. The more of the trick I could help to turn, the surer I'd be of building up a reputation. Well, sir, the little lady went right up through the roof of the sleeper first off; then she came down and melted into tears. Some confession we got out of her! That's how I got hold of a lot of things I been telling you. Seems 'twas you tipped her off that she'd better get out of town."

"I! Why, I didn't see her last evening."

He laughed. "No, but you telephoned the police from Mrs. Catterbox's and she told Mrs. Bosley as a piece of neighborly gossip. I came around to hunt up Mrs. Guselle and was just in time to catch a glimpse of her taking a taxi. I'd 'n' caught her at the station if the darned engine of the car I'd rented hadn't stalled on me a block away. Golly, I was mad!"

"I'm sorry for 'em both," declared Mrs. Penfield thoughtfully. "Folks that mix up their lives that way ain't really grown up. But, oh, Uncle Jerry, I can't be thankful 'nough that I'm going to get that money back. You can't imagine what a weight it lifts. It was

the air was cloudy with exclamations. Nor was there any perceptible diminution the next day—or the next. And scarcely had the driveway gossip thinned a trifle when Mrs. Penfield's thoughts were given a vastly different turn.

Mr. Cranshaw came to interview her. He had seen Mrs. Weatherstone; he had seen the hangings. He offered Mrs. Penfield a hundred dollars in cash and a small block of stock in his laundry association in exchange for her formula and a certain amount of supervision until its use should be mastered in the various laundries of which he had charge.

"It will mean," he told her, "about a thousand dollars a year—more, as the business grows—but you can be assured of that amount."

It seemed a fortune to Mrs. Penfield. She had difficulty in tempering her impetuous delight into a seemingly business attitude. To have a steady income, aside from her usual earnings, would mean a different life for the children.

After Mr. Cranshaw had gone, she began to plan exactly what that life should be. For one thing, she would surely be justified in giving up the management of the Custard Cup, which was rapidly precluding other duties. With significant juxtaposition, the fact that Mrs. Sanders was leaving her flat, flashed into her mind. Mrs. Sanders was going to live with a cousin in Sonoma county and help take care of a large family of children. Mrs. Penfield could rent that flat! It would be the pleasantest because a friend had lived in it. There would be conveniences, a more satisfactory number of rooms. She would keep up her laundry work, but under far easier conditions. There would be school books, clothes, plenty to eat, a fund slowly growing in the bank. Oh, everything would be different—and safer. Perhaps Uncle Jerry would—

She broached the subject to him as he came around the house from a flying trip to the loft—Uncle Jerry with the new position with a private detective bureau, and with twinkles more lively than ever in his kindly eyes.

"We could give you a room, Uncle Jerry. We could take the dining room for—"

The color came up in his bronzed face. "Well, I—I don't know, Carline," he stammered. "It's bulky of you to think of it, but—but I hope I can't—that is—well, we'll talk it over." He tramped rapidly out of the alley.

"Well, I sure wonder what he means," thought Mrs. Penfield in surprise.

She watched Uncle Jerry went up Miss Haggood's steps.

"Oh-h-h!" she breathed. She ceased to wonder.

**CHAPTER XXI**

A Chance for Another.

"Mrs. Penfield!"

"Yes, come right in, Mrs. Wopple. I only got to finish washing out this—"

"Oh, I can't stop, Mrs. Penfield. I just heard this here story 'bout your movin'."

"Yes," said Mrs. Penfield happily. "I'm going to move tomorrow into Mrs. Sanders' flat. Ain't it neat?"

Mrs. Wopple shook her head in bewilderment. "I don't know. Seems like you're playin' a trick on us somehow—you been so kinder poor and low-down and everything. Josiah says he don't think it's fair for folks that've been poor to suddenly come into money. 'Steard of lookin' down on 'em, he's got to all of a sudden look up and—"

"Oh," laughed Mrs. Penfield, "tell him not to twist his neck on 'count of me. I ain't coming up very far."

"It's quite a change," sniffed Mrs. Wopple. "Why, you're goin' to be as good as any of us, ain't you?"

Mrs. Penfield's brown eyes danced. "I wouldn't go so far as to claim that. But I'm glad to have more room for the children, and things more home-like. It's wonderful to have an income. Didn't seem as if there was any way for it to happen."

"Folks say it's from a laundry," suggested Mrs. Wopple.

"Yes—a formula I'd worked out for washing colored clothes and silk and—"

"I put starch in the water," insisted Mrs. Wopple eagerly.

Mrs. Penfield smiled. "That's starch. It's a mixture I never heard of anybody's using."

"It's strange how smart you was, and didn't any of us expect it," remarked Mrs. Wopple tartly. "Me, I think of lots of things, but of course I never tried to sell 'em. Josiah exclaims 'big money' the way he does, I don't have to."

"No, surely not," agreed Mrs. Penfield, gently.

Mrs. Wopple turned to go. "Well, I'll run in just as soon's you get your apple boxes moved. Till then we see how you're gettin' on. And say, Mrs. Penfield, even if your stock goes up, you won't never forget what close neighbors we been, will you?"

"No, Mrs. Wopple, never," promised Mrs. Penfield warmly.

Amusedly she admitted to herself that Mrs. Wopple had not been far wrong about the apple boxes, which had served the family for multifarious purposes during the months that were past. It was different now—or would be tomorrow. Mrs. Penfield had decided to purchase a few pieces of furniture, to be paid for in installments and to form the nucleus of a real home, real in appearance as well as in spirit.

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